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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **INOUE, Takakazu**

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FOR: METHOD OF ANALYZING INTESTINAL FLORA AND ANALYTICAL APPARATUS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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September 29, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 1, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.